

## **City of Gaithersburg Press Release**

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# Arts on the Green 2019 – 2020 Music Season Kicks Off October 5 with Violin Virtuoso Alessandra Cuffaro

**Gaithersburg, MD – (September 11, 2019)** Gaithersburg's *Arts on the Green* presents a new season of engaging concerts featuring an eclectic mix of Americana, jazz, classical, contemporary, traditional, and world music in an intimate and inviting setting. Enjoy authentic music and lively conversation as well as special workshops before select performances. The series is sponsored by Hampton Inn and Suites. The Singer Songwriter Series is presented by O'Hair Salon + Spa.

### Paganini & Brahms with Alessandra Cuffaro

October 5 8 p.m. • Arts Barn Tickets \$30/\$18 Youth (18 & under)

The first woman in the history of Italian violinists to perform all of Nicolo Paganini's 24 Capricci (op. 1) in one concert, virtuoso Alessandra Cuffaro, with husband and pianist Simeone Tartaglione, share music of Paganini and Brahms.

#### Peter Case - Singer Songwriter Series\*

October 19 3 p.m. Workshop, 7:30 p.m. Concert • Arts Barn Tickets \$30/\$50 Combo

This three-time Grammy nominee's work sets the bar for authenticity, passion and imagination, spanning genres that include folk, blues and rock.

#### Día de los Muertos: Understanding a Beloved Mexican Tradition through Music

presented by New Orchestra of Washington (NOW)

November 2 8 p.m. • Arts Barn

Tickets: \$30/\$18 Youth (18 & under)

**Día de los Muertos**, Spanish for "Day of the Dead," is a beloved Mexican holiday where family and friends gather to pray, remember those who have died, and help support their spiritual journey. Come celebrate life and remember those who have passed with this beautiful program including songs by Manuel Ponce and excerpts from Brahms' Requiem, featuring Laura Choi Stuart, soprano, and Grace Cho, piano.

#### **Cool Yule with Rochelle Rice**

December 14 8 p.m. • Arts Barn Tickets \$25/\$18 Youth (18 & under)

Join award-winning singer and songwriter Rochelle Rice for an evening of familiar holiday classics performed through a new musical lens. Inspired by the spirit of the great songwriters of the '70s and guided by her study of jazz and Black American Music, Rice's sound is a woven tapestry of jazz-inspired pop and soul.

## Sunday Music Salon in the Mansion Folk Re-Imagined 1, España & Beyond

January 12

2 p.m. • Kentlands Mansion

Tickets \$30/\$18 Youth (18 & under)

Cellist Tanya Anisimova and guitarist Matt Palmer introduce the audience to Spanish-influenced compositions and long time favorites from Spain itself.

### Seán Heely Trio – Robert Burns Night

January 24

7:30 p.m. • Arts Barn

Tickets \$40/\$30 Youth (20 & under, whiskey tasting not included)

A fun evening of music, poetry, whiskey and haggis celebrating the life of poet Robert Burns. Inspired by their Scottish ancestry, the Seán Heely Trio breathes new life into the rich traditions of Celtic music, engaging audiences with every bow stroke. 7:30 p.m. whiskey tasting and haggis, followed by music and poetry. Traditional instruments and dress. Patrons are encouraged to wear Scottish dress or anything plaid.

## Sunday Music Salon in the Mansion Folk Re-Imagined 2, Chopin and the Russians

February 9

2 p.m. • Kentlands Mansion

Tickets \$30/\$18 Youth (18 & under)

Elena Kushnerova explores the mystical world of Alexander Skriabin and Sergei Rachmaninoff, also performing excerpts from her piano arrangement of Prokofiev's Romeo and Juliet. Violoncellist Tanya Anisimova performs original pieces in Russian style.

## Steve Herberman & Lena Seikaly

February 29 8 p.m. • Arts Barn

Tickets \$25/\$18 Youth (18 & under)

This guitar and vocal jazz duo enjoys spontaneous interaction while performing live, offering something new each time.

## **Gretchen Peters - Singer Songwriter Series\***

March 28

3 p.m. Workshop, 7:30 p.m. Concert • Arts Barn Tickets \$30/\$50 Combo

Gretchen Peters is one of Nashville's most beloved and compelling artists. Her songs immerse listeners in a world of emotion, digging underneath to expose what is fueling the fire. She's been described as heartbreaking and heartwarming.

#### The Minimalists

in partnership with New Orchestra of Washington April 18 8 p.m. • Arts Barn Tickets \$30/\$18 Youth (18 & under)

Prepare to be hypnotized and amazed by the music of America's popular modern composers. Explore the music of Samuel Barber, Philip Glass and Steve Reich, pioneering giants who helped establish America as the center of the cultural landscape in the 20th and 21st centuries. Becky Anderson, violin; Alan Richardson, cello; Grace Cho, piano.

#### Seth Glier - Singer Songwriter Series\*

May 2

3 p.m. Workshop, 7:30 p.m. Concert • Arts Barn Tickets \$25/\$45 Combo

Grammy-nominated musician Seth Glier continues to gain momentum with his superb song-crafting skills and his elegantly emotional voice.

#### **Danielle Wertz, Jazz Songstress**

June 6

8 p.m. • Arts Barn

Tickets \$25/\$18 Youth (18 & under)

An award-winning jazz vocalist, educator, composer, and arranger, Danielle Wertz provides a unique, honest and refreshing experience.

\*Singer Songwriter Concert Series: Experience inspiring performances and explore your creativity with this series presented by O'Hair Salon + Spa. It celebrates musicians who write, compose and sing their own original material. In addition to the concert experience, patrons can participate in special workshops with the artists for a unique insight into the world of the singer songwriter. Local musicians will be featured before the nationally and internationally known headliners.

Attendees to all performances are invited to come early and enjoy wine by the glass, beer, and non-alcoholic beverages in a bistro setting. The Arts Barn Pub is open one hour before the show and during intermission.

The <u>Arts Barn</u>, 311 Kent Square Road, and <u>Kentlands Mansion</u>, 320 Kent Square Road, are *Arts on the Green*, the City of Gaithersburg's home for the performing and visual arts. Patrons at both venues enjoy a wide range of quality theater, music and art programs.

Purchase tickets online at <a href="https://www.gaithersburgmd.gov/AOTG">www.gaithersburgmd.gov/AOTG</a> or call the Arts Barn Box Office at 301-258-6394. Follow us on <a href="https://www.gaithersburgmd.gov/AOTG">Facebook</a>, <a href="https://www.gaithersburgmd.gov/AOTG">Twitter</a> or <a href="https://www.gaithersburgmd.gov/AOTG">Instagram</a> at <a href="https://www.gaithersburgmd.gov/AOTG">ArtsontheGreen</a>.

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